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November 23, 2004

Mr. Karl V. Farmer 30 Sawyer Road Hampstead, NH 03841

Re: Farmer v. Goldman

Dear Mr. Farmer:

Enclosed please find the following:

- 1. Notice of Removal;
- 2. Civil Action Cover Sheet;
- 3. Notice of Filing Notice of Removal; and
- 4. November 23, 2004 letter to Rockingham Superior Court clerk's office.

Very truly yours,

MICHAEL & RUTHELY

Michael R. Pontrelli

Enclosures (4)

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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KARL V. FARMER,)
Plaintiff,	
v.) CIVIL ACTION NO
NEAL D. GOLDMAN and POLAROID CORPORATION,)))
Defendants.))
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NOTICE OF REMOVAL

To: The Honorable Judges of the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1332, 1441 & 1446, and with 29 U.S.C. § 1132, Defendants Neal D. Goldman ("Goldman") and Polaroid Corporation (Polaroid") hereby remove to this Court the civil action known as <u>Farmer</u> v. <u>Goldman</u>, Rockingham Dkt. No. 04-C-878 (N.H. Super. Ct.), on the following grounds:

- 1. On October 8, 2004, Plaintiff Karl V. Farmer ("Farmer") commenced this action in Rockingham Superior Court.
- 2. On October 26, 2004, Farmer served Polaroid by leaving at the office of its New Hampshire agent for service of process, CT Corporation, a copy of Receipt of Writ of Summons (the "Writ"). A copy of the Writ is attached in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a). No other process, pleading, or order has been served on Polaroid.

- 3. Goldman received a copy of the Writ from Polaroid on or around November 4,2004. No process, pleading, or order has been served on Goldman.
- 4. This Court has original jurisdiction of the subject matter of this action, as follows:

 (a) The Writ alleges that Defendants "fraudulently deceived Polaroid employees," and that "as the benefits plan administrator Neal Goldman breached his fiduciary responsibility," which allegedly "caused the loss of" medical and other benefits under employee benefit plans a claim completely preempted by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, 29

 U.S.C § 1132 et seq, see Aetna Health, Inc. v. Davila, ____ U.S. ____, 124 S. Ct. 2488 (2004); and (b) Complete diversity exists between Plaintiff and Defendants where Farmer is a citizen of New Hampshire allegedly residing in Hampstead, Goldman is a citizen of Massachusetts residing in Marlborough, and Polaroid a corporation which has been incorporated under the laws of Delaware and has its principal place of business in Massachusetts, and the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000.
- 5. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b), this notice is being filed within thirty days of service of process on Polaroid.
- 6. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), Defendants are simultaneously giving written notice of removal to Farmer and filing a copy of this notice with the clerk of Rockingham Superior Court.

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NEAL D. GOLDMAN

By his attorney,

/s/ Russell Beck

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POLAROID CORPORATION

By its attorney,

/s/ Jon Meyer

Jon Meyer, N.H. Bar No. 1744
Backus, Myer, Solomon & Branch, LLP
116 Lowell Street, P.O. Box 516
Manchester, NH 03105
(603) 668-7272

Dated: November 23, 2004

04 Page 5 of 11 Merrimack County Sheriff's Office

163 North Main St. Concord, NH 03301 Phone: 663-225-5583

POLAROID CORPORATION 29 SCHOOL ST CONCORD, NH 03301

MERRIMACK, SS

DATE: October 26, 2004

1205 PM I, DEPUTY NEAL A STONE, this day at 02+00pm, summoned the within named defendant POLAROID CORPORATION by leaving at the office of CT Corporation, 29 School Street, Concord, said County and State of New Hampshire, its true and lawful agent for the service of process under and by virtue of Chapter 293-A, NH RSA as amended, a true and attested copy of this RECEIPT OF WRIT.

FEES

Service:

15.00

Misc.:

TOTAL:

1.00 Postage

0.00 Travel

16.00

Deputy Sheriff

DEPUTY NEAL A STONE

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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

ROCKINGHAM, \$5.

SUPERIOR COURT

RECEIPT OF WRIT

DATE: October 8, 2004

DOCKET NUMBER: 04-C-878

Karl V. Farmer

Vs.

Neal D. Goldman
Polaroid Corporation

The writ in the above-captioned matter was filed with the Clerk of this Court on: October 8, 2004 at 2:52pm.

The plaintiff or his/her attorney is to attach a copy of this receipt to identical copies of the original writ and deliver them to the Sheriff or other legally authorized entity for service on each named defendant. Sufficient copies shall be provided to allow for a service copy for each named defendant and a copy for each officer completing service to complete the return.

The return copies shall be filed with the court in accordance with Superior Court Rule 3.

By Order of the Court

Raymond W. Taylor, Clerk of Court Rockingham Superior Court

P.O. Box 1258

Kingston, N.H. 03848-1258

Tel. (603) 642-5256

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"For use only in an action wherein Karl V Farmer are defendants.

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WRIT OF SUMMONS

KARL V. FARMER. 30 SAWYER RP. HAMPSTEAD, NA 03841

NEAL D. GOLDMAN 6 CARROLL DR WESTBOILDEN, MA

POLAROID CORPORATION 784 MEHONING OF CAMBRIDGE; MA DE139

The Sheriff or Deputy of any County is ordered to summon each defendant to file a written appearance with the Superior Court at the address listed below by the return day of this writ which is the first Tuesday of Orcanace

THE PLAINTIFF(S) state(s): BETWIEN JULY 2001 AND OCTOBER 2001 NEAL GOLDMAN AND POLARADO CORPORATION PURPOSELY AND FRAUDULANTLY OF CRIVITO POLANOID FLACCYPES - AND AS THE BENEFITS PLAN ADMINISTRATOR NEAL GOLDMAND BREILING HIS FIDUCIONEY KRYPERSIBILITY. THE CORPORATE INFORTHATION GIVEN AND ANSWIRS TO GLESTINS BY NEAL GOLDIAN AT CONSONTE MRILTINGS, THE DECRATION AND DIVISSION OF CONTECTIONS ACTION ON VALID INFORMATIVE CAUSINO THIS PLAINTIEF TO MAKE A LIFE COMMOING DECISION THAT COUSED THIS LOSS DE and the Plaintiff(s) Claim(s) damages within the jurisdictional limits of this Court. TRIPLIE DAMA GILS SHOULD AM

INDORSER (sign and print name)

NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT

The Plaintiff listed above has begun legal action against you. You do not have to physically appear in Court on the return day listed above since there will be no neering on that day, however, if you intend to contest this marter, you or your attorney must like a written appearance form with the Clerk's Office by that date, (Appearance forms may be obtained from the Clerk's Office.) You will then receive notice from the Court of all proceedings concerning this case, if you fail to hie an appearance by the return day, judgment will be entered against you for a sum of money which you will then be obligated to pay.

Witness, Robert J. Lynn, Chief Justice, Superior Court.

шимири Raymond W. Taylor, Clerk NH Superior Court Rockingham County

10 Route 125

Brentwood, NH

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1258 (ingston, NH 03848-1258 603) 642-5256 °

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CIVIL COVER SHEET

The JS-44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE OF THE FORM.)

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NOTICE OF FILING NOTICE OF REMOVAL

To: Civil Clerk of Court

New Hampshire Superior Court, Rockingham County

10 Route 125

Brentwood, NH 03833-6202

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), that the Defendants Neal D. Goldman and Polaroid Corporation have removed this action to the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire. A copy of the Notice of Removal is attached.

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November 23, 2004

OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Civil Clerk's Office Rockingham Superior Court 10 Route 125 Brentwood, NH 03833-6202

> Re: Farmer v. Goldman, Docket. No. 04-C-878

Dear Sir or Madam:

I enclose for filing in connection with this action a Notice of Filing Notice of Removal.

In connection with the removal of this matter, please provide us with a certified copy of all existing pleadings and docket entries in this case to date, including the enclosed notice. Please advise me of any costs incurred in processing this request and payment will be made immediately.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Russell Beck

Enclosure

cc: Jeffrey Pyle, Esq. (w/encl.) Karl V. Farmer (w/encl.)

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